

## MAGAZINES.

**The Century.**—The Century Co. N.Y.—The March *Century* contains several features of romantic interest. First in uniqueness, is Mr. Kennan's continuation of his revelations in regard to the Russian state prisons, the details of which are remarkable for interest and bear every evidence of authenticity. An interesting incident related by Mr. Kennan is the celebration in the House of Detention at St. Petersburg of the Centennial Fourth of July.

A narrative paper of thrilling detail is Captain Frank E. Moran's account of the planning, mishaps, and finally successful execution of Colonel Rose's Tunnel at Libby Prison, the narrator having been one of the party who escaped. The article is illustrated.

In "The Home Ranch," Mr. Theodore Roosevelt gives a continuation of his graphic papers on the daily life of a ranchman, accompanied by illustrations.

Mrs. van Rensselaer's paper in the "English Cathedral" series is devoted to Salisbury, of which she says: "Nowhere else does a work of Christian architecture so express purity and repose and the beauty of holiness"; adding that "Salisbury's kind of beauty is the most purely lovely among Gothic kinds." Different aspects of the cathedral, the cloisters and the closes, are presented in the sketches by Mr. Pennell.

Mr. Albert Morris Bagby writes of "Some Pupils of Liszt," with especial reference to Eugene D'Albert, Arthur Friedheim, Alexander Siloti, Alfred Reisenauer, and Fraulein Adele aus der Ohe, of all whom as well as of Liszt himself, there are portraits.

A paper of out-of-the-way biography is contributed by Mr. John Bigelow, in his "Franklin's Home and Host in France," the host being M. Donatien Le Ray de Chaumont.

This number contains also two full-page portraits of Bismarck; one after the bust by Roth; the other (which appears as a frontispiece) is from a photograph and shows the Chancellor in his garden with his two hounds. A short anonymous article considers Bismarck's peculiar influence.

In "Open Letters" are several dealing especially with educational questions: "The Public School Problem," "Mind Training," a reply to the articles on "The Education of the Blind": a paper "To the Deaf," and other suggestive letters.

**The Old Testament Student** for February presents an attractive table of contents. Special attention is called to the "Inductive Bible-studies" on Jonah, Amos, and Hosea by Professor Burroughs, of Amherst, Mass. The article on the "Historical Development of the Messianic Idea," by James Scott, D.D., LL.D., of Aberlour, Scotland, is written from a strictly conservative point of observation, and presents very briefly an outline of this important doctrine.

Under the title "The names of Jacob and Joseph in Egypt," Mr. Dickerman, of Boston, discusses a startling announcement lately made in a French review, that two of the names found on a granite tablet of Thothmes III. are names of the tribes of Jacob and Joseph which, after the death of the latter and before the general exodus, had gone up to Palestine, had been caught in arms against Thothmes III., were made captives of war and were brought back to Thebes by this victorious monarch. Here is a possible explanation of the enmity of the Pharaoh who knew not Joseph. Howard Crosby, D.D., LL.D., in a brief article, "Dr. Cheyne on Isaiah," takes severely to task this celebrated English commentator for finding a discrepancy between an utterance of the prophet Isaiah and the "Cyrus-inscription." The "reports" which follow show that the work of the Institute of Hebrew and that of *The Old Testament Student* are, after all, in the same line. The growth of the Institute of Hebrew and the work which it has accomplished are matters of general interest. The "Current Old Testament Literature" is quite full and valuable. Taken all in all, this number may be regarded as up to the average. It is pleasing to note that an enterprise which has hitherto had so many obstacles to overcome is now becoming firmly established. Price, \$1.00 a year (ten numbers). *The Old Testament Student*, New Haven, Conn.

**The American Magazine**, N.Y.—What are the Anarchists? What is their doctrine? Why would they overthrow society and government, and what do they wish to substitute? These are questions frequently asked by thoughtful citizens. An article by Z. L. White, in the March number of *The American Magazine*, answers such inquiries, and shows the depth and virulence of the disease of which the Haymarket murder were only a symptom.

Two of the little known religious communities in Pennsylvania—the Harmonites and the Moravians—have their quaint customs and peaceful abodes described in illustrated articles in the same number.

**The Pulpit Treasury** for March presents valuable matter for preachers, students and Christian workers. It gives the portrait of Rev. Dr. Alfred H. Moment, of Brooklyn, as its frontispiece, and his sermon on The Kingship of Christ as its first discourse. There is also a brief but satisfactory biographical sketch of him and a view of his church. It also contains a sermon by Rev. John Hall, on Benevolence; by Rev. W. Abbott, on what Constitutes the Measure of Success in Mission work; and another capital sermon is by Rev. H. C. Cushing. The leading Thoughts of Sermons are by Drs. Barrows, Meyer, Pearse, Behrends, Ferguson and Tritton. The Editorials are bright and pointed—on Loafing in the Vineyard; Disgracefully Rich; The Spirit in the Wheels; Sermonic

Martinetts; Warmth and Sympathy, and Extra-Biblical Theology. Yearly, \$2 50; Clergyman, \$2; single copies 25 cents. E. B. Treat, Publisher, 771 Broadway, N.Y.

## TOBACCO.

Bishop Dudley, of Kentucky, in one of his "Talks with Little Folks," published in the *Kentucky Chronicle*, says:—

And specially I must mention that there are other narcotics besides whiskey, less deleterious but fully as tempting, in the use of which we must be temperate. Physicians testify that American boys of to-day are being damaged immeasurably by the worst form of the tobacco habit,—cigarette smoking. They say that the smoke of the tobacco, mingled with that from the paper inhaled into the lung, sows the seeds of future disease and often destroys all vital force, and even life itself before maturity is gained. Now, my boys, as Christian boys, eager to do your whole duty as men to your neighbor, have you a right to gratify your appetite at such a cost? No matter that your father smokes his pipe or his cigar; this cannot excuse your beginning a habit which the wisest among us declare to be damaging. Perhaps your father will tell you if you ask him, that he regrets now that he ever began the use of the filthy weed; that he is sure it has not benefitted him, and fears it may have injured his health of body and mind. He pleads with you not to become enslaved to a habit whose power he knows by experience. Does not your duty to your neighbor, your duty to your father, require you to heed his advice?—*Bishop Dudley in his Talk with the Little Folks.*

## NEVER SWEAR.

1. It is mean. A boy of high moral standing would almost as soon steal a sheep as to swear.
2. It is vulgar—altogether too low for a decent boy.
3. It is cowardly—implying a fear of not being believed or obeyed.
4. It is ungentlemanly. A gentleman, according to the dictionary, is a genteel man—well-bred, refined. Such a man will no more swear than go into the street to throw mud with a chimney sweep.
5. It is indecent, offensive to delicacy and extremely unfit for human ears.
6. It is foolish. "Want of decency is want of sense."
7. It is abusive to the mind that conceives the oath, to the tongue which utters it, and to the person at whom it is aimed.
8. It is venomous, showing a boy's heart to be a nest of vipers; and every time he swears one of them sticks out its head.
9. It is contemptible, forfeiting the respect of all the wise and good.

It is better to be nobly remembered than be nobly born.—*Ruskin.*

## BAPTISMS.

On February 17th, 1888, in Christ Church, Albion Mines, N.S., Georgina, daughter of Robert and Jane Davidson.

On February 18th, 1888, (1st Sunday in Lent, at Thorburn, N.S., Henry, son of John W. and Jessie A. Appleton.

At Greenfield, Carleton Co., N.B., on the 9th ult., Lulu Elizabeth (privately) child of Joseph and Nancy Ritchie, baptized by Rev. J. E. Flewelling.

## MARRIED.

**WHITE-BALLOCH**—In St. James' Church, Centreville, Feb. 7th, by the Rev. J. E. Flewelling, George Leverett White, to Alice Wilmet Balloch, daughter of Wm. D. and Ella Balloch, both of Centreville, Carleton Co., N.B.

## DIED.

**RITCHIE**—At Greenfield, Carleton Co., N.B., on the 11th ult., Lulu Elizabeth, only child of Joseph and Nancy Ritchie, at the age of 5 months 18 days.

**RITCHIE**—At Greenfield, Carleton Co., N.B., on the 18th ult., Joseph Ritchie, of consumption, aged 40 years, 8 months and 8 days, second son of Charles and Eliza Ritchie, leaving a widow and numerous friends to mourn his departure.



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